

# GIFTS OF HOLY SPIRIT

The Rite of Confirmation



# CONGRATULATIONS

You have completed the eight sessions on the Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit but in our faith, there is always more to learn, each day of our lives.

In this session we will look around the practicalities of the Confirmation itself especially during these current circumstances. We will make sure you have arranged a sponsor, chosen a confirmation name, you know who is going to be involved and you are clear on the date, time and location of your confirmation and know the number of people allowed to attend.



# Opening Prayer



Lord Jesus, bless us as we gather together as young people from the Diocese. We are one in your name.

May your light burn brightly within us as we celebrate Your love for us.

Inspire us with your Holy Spirit.

Help us to take Your light and Your love out to the whole world. Show us how to use our gifts and talents to become who You have called us to be.

**Amen**

St Catherine of Siena, Pray for us.



# Lets see what you remember...

## Fill in the blanks

The 7 Gifts of the Holy Spirit are:

1. W \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
2. U \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
3. K \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
4. C \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
5. F \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
6. P \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
7. A \_ \_



# Lets see what you remember...

## Fill in the blanks

The 12 Fruits of the Holy Spirit are:

1. K \_\_\_\_\_
2. G \_\_\_\_\_
3. J \_ \_
4. C \_\_\_\_\_
5. S \_\_\_\_\_
6. F \_\_\_\_\_
7. G \_\_\_\_\_
8. G \_\_\_\_\_
9. C \_\_\_\_\_
10. P \_\_\_\_\_
11. P \_\_\_\_\_
12. M \_\_\_\_\_



# The Sacrament of Confirmation



# The Structure of the Rite

Over the next few slides we will look at the Structure of your Confirmation Mass so you know what to expect so you can get the most out of its rich symbolism.

1. Gathering & Opening Rites
2. Liturgy of the Word
3. Homily
4. Prayers of Intercession
5. The Role of the Sponsor
6. Laying on of Hands, Anointing with the oil of Chrism & The Sign of Peace
7. Concluding Rites & Dismissal



# 1. Gathering & Opening Rites



Fr Richard, one of our Diocesan Youth Chaplains, speaks about the importance of gathering as a community for the celebration and about how we get ourselves ready together for the sacraments.





# Practical Questions

Do you know ...

- The date, time and location of your Confirmation?
- Do you know how many people can come with you?



# Prayer

Here is a prayer you can say each day to prepare for your special day. You may wish to write it down and make a special prayer card

## Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations,  
Through Christ Our Lord,  
Amen.



## 2. Liturgy of the Word



Fr Mark, one of our Diocesan Youth Chaplains, speaks about the importance of the Liturgy of the Word



# Scripture

Here is the story of Pentecost. You may wish to take down the bible reference so you can look it up online or in your bible or ask your leader to print this off for you as you prepare.

## **The Story of Pentecost - Acts 2:1-12**

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome - Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'



### 3. The Homily



The priest will then share a few words about the Sacrament of Confirmation, listen carefully to what he has to say. Here is what Bishop Barron from the USA says at his Confirmation Masses.



## 4. Prayers of Intercession



We then bring before God the needs of the World asking Him to hear our prayer.



# 5. The Role of the Sponsor



Your Confirmation Sponsor should be someone who accompanies you on your faith journey. They should pray for you and challenge you to be the best version of yourself and grow closer to God.



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Have you chosen your confirmation sponsor and do they know the details of the Confirmation itself (date, time, location)?

**Remember they must be:**

- Someone other than your parent
  - Over 16
- A confirmed Catholic who will support you in the faith





## 6. Laying on of Hands, Anointing with the oil of Chrism & The Sign of Peace



The Bishop or priest will pray that you are filled with the Holy Spirit by stretching out his hands, then you will be anointed with the oil of Chrism which is blessed at the Cathedral each year then will give you the sign of peace.



## 6. Laying on of Hands, Anointing with the oil of Chrism & The Sign of Peace



With the current restrictions this may be done differently this year but the same blessings will be received.



# Choosing a Confirmation Name



Have you chosen your Confirmation name?

Have you researched into the life of the saint you have chosen and asked them to pray for you?



# 7. Concluding Rites & Dismissal



# Opportunity for Questions



# A Time of Prayer



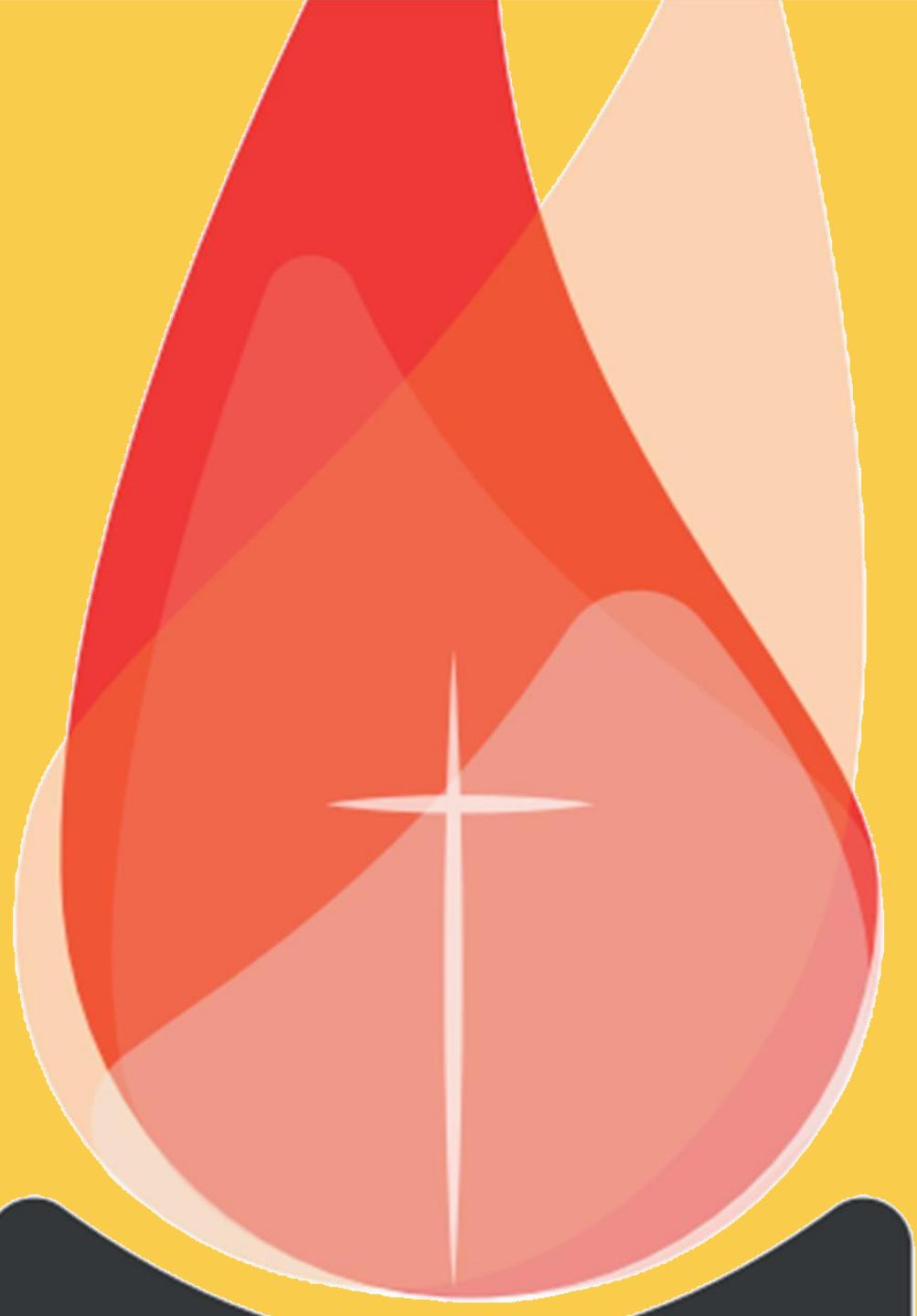
As you listen to this Taize chant, give thanks to God for all you have learnt and in anticipation for receiving the Holy Spirit soon.

## Prayer

Glory be to the Father,  
and to the Son and to  
the Holy Spirit.

Amen





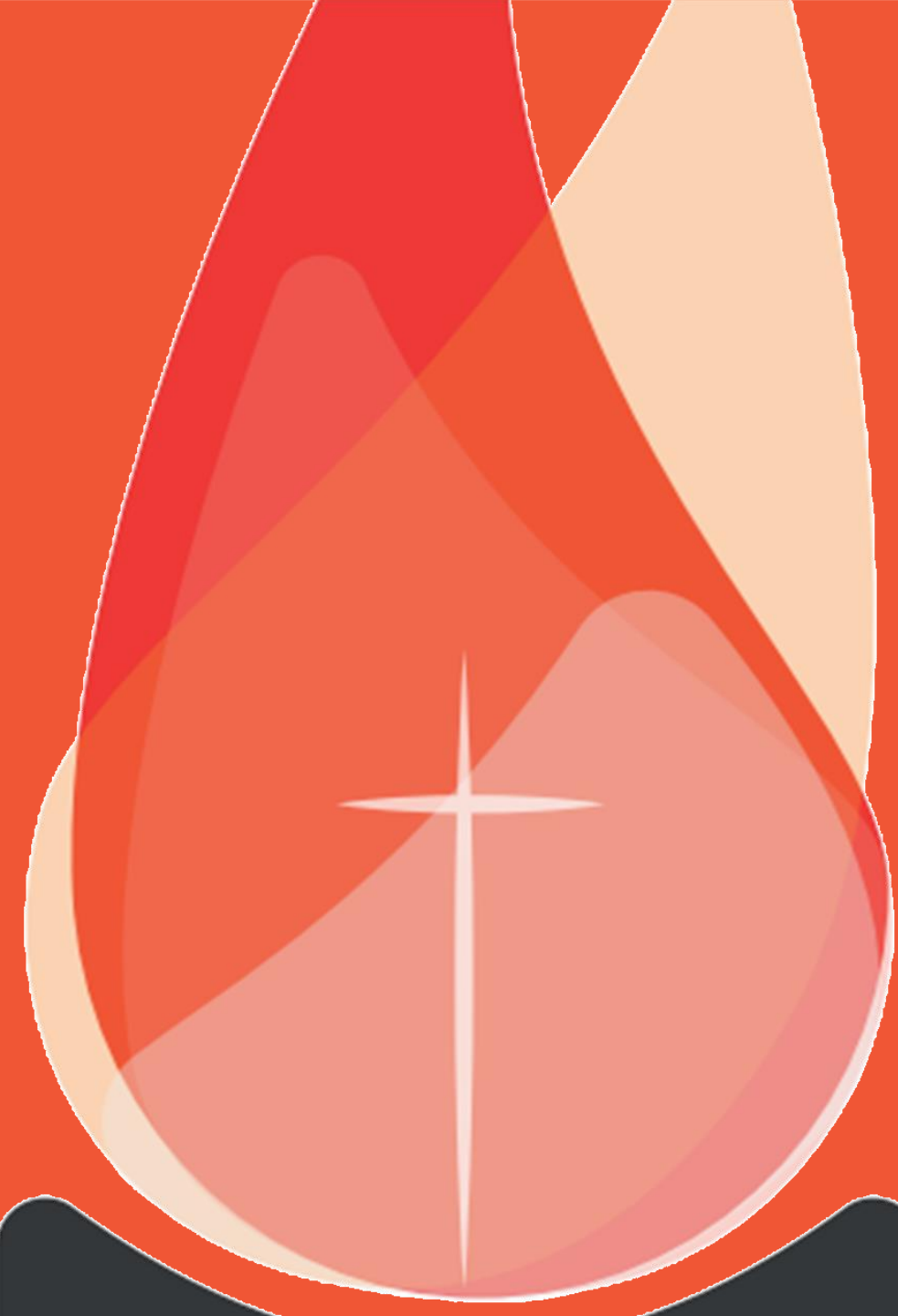
“Jesus said to them again:  
Peace be with you.  
As the Father sent me,  
so I am sending you’

JOHN **20:21**

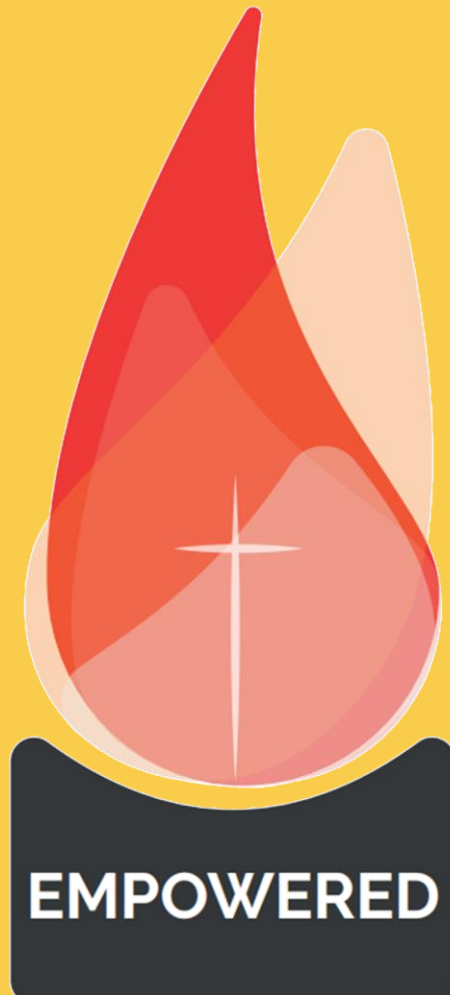
# Rock, Paper, Scissors



In pairs, play Rock, Paper, Scissors  
- the winner stays on







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